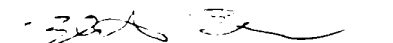


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In response to a Notice dated February 25, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Please insert the enclosed paper copy of the sequence listing (pages 1-16) to the end of the application.

Please replace paragraph 00015 spanning from page 3 to page 4 of the application with the following:

--[00015] To facilitate this process, an alignment study of the various known plant  $\alpha$ -glucosidase genes was conducted. This alignment is represented in an alignment table, shown in Fig. 2. Fig. 2 shows the best-fit alignment of the amino acid sequence of the  $\alpha$ -glucosidase genes from barley, sugar beet, spinach and